

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20461

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Michael Edward Daly, Treasurer  
Prairie Political Action Committee  
Post Office Box 2002  
Springfield, IL 62705

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Identification Number: C00347195

Reference: October Quarterly Report (7/1/02-9/30/02)

Dear Mr. Daly:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses one or more contributions which appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act. 2 U.S.C. §441a(a) prohibits a multicandidate committee and its affiliates from making a contribution to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election.

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information.

If any contribution you made exceeds the limits, you must request a refund of the excessive amount or provide a written authorization for a redesignation of the contribution pursuant to 1 CFR §110.2(b) within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt.

If the foregoing conditions for redesignations were not met within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt, your committee must obtain a refund of the excessive amount.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, any refunds should be disclosed

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on Schedule A supporting Line 16 of the report covering the period during which they are received. Any redesignations should be disclosed as memo entries on Schedule B supporting Line 23 of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. (11 CFR §110.1(b))

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding the excessive contribution(s), your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

-The totals listed on Lines 11(c), 11(d), 19, 20, 23, 30, and 31, Column B of the Detailed Summary Page(s) appear to be incorrect. Please be advised that you should add the "Calendar Year-to-Date" total from your previous report to the current "Total This Period" figure from Column A to derive the correct Column B totals. Please amend your report and any subsequent reports that may be affected by this correction.

-Your calculations for Lines 6(c) and 7, Column B appear to be incorrect. FEC calculations disclose these amounts to be \$83,285 and \$94,048, respectively. Please provide the corrected totals on the Summary Page.

-Commission Regulations require that a committee disclose the identification of all individuals who contribute in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. (11 CFR §104.3(a)(4)(i)) Identification for an individual is defined as the full name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer. (11 CFR §100.12) Your report discloses contributions from individuals for which the identification is not complete.

You must provide the missing information, or if you are unable to do so, you must demonstrate that "best efforts" have been used to obtain the information. To establish "best efforts," you must provide the Commission with a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. Establishing "best efforts" is a three-fold process.

First, your original solicitation must include a clear and conspicuous request for the contributor information and must inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information. (11 CFR §104.7(b)(1))

Second, if the information is not provided, you must make one follow-up, stand alone effort to obtain this information, regardless of whether the contribution(s) was solicited or not. This effort must occur no later than 30

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days after receipt of the contribution and may be in the form of a written request or an oral request documented in writing. (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(2))  
The request must:

- clearly ask for the missing information, without soliciting a contribution;
- inform the contributor of the requirements of federal law for the reporting of such information, and
- if the request is written, include a pre-addressed post card or return envelope.

Third, if you receive contributor information after the contribution(s) has been reported, you shall either a) file with your next regularly scheduled report, an amended memo Schedule A listing all the contributions for which additional information was received; or b) file on or before your next regularly scheduled reporting date, amendments to the report(s) originally disclosing the contribution(s). (11 CFR § 104.7(b)(4))

Please provide the missing information or a detailed description of your procedures for requesting the information. For more information on demonstrating "best efforts," please refer to the Campaign Guide.

-Please amend Schedule B supporting Line 23 by providing the office sought (i.e. House, Senate or President), state and congressional district, if applicable, for each contribution made. 11 CFR § 104.3(b)(3)(ii) and (v)

-Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. Contributions to other federal political action committees and political party committees should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 23 of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions contained on the forms to determine the proper categorization when preparing your next filing.

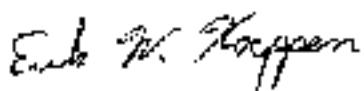
A response or amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at

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the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,



Erik W. Koeppen  
Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division

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**SCHEDULE B (FEC Form 3X)**  
**ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

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 or for commercial purposes, other than using the name and address of any political committee to solicit contributions from such committee.

**NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)**

Prairie People's Action Committee

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

**A.** Sanders for Senate

Date of Disbursement

09 M 1 D 1 Y 2002

Mailing Address

236 Mass. Ave. NW

State Zip Code

City

Washington

DC 20002

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period

2500.00

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

 Category/  
Type

Office Sought:

House

Senate

President

Disbursement For:

Primary

X General

Other (specify) □

Transaction ID: SB23.4250

State:

District

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

**B.** Shaheen for US Senate

Date of Disbursement

09 M 1 D 1 Y 2002

Mailing Address

Box 1803

State Zip Code

City

Concord

NH 03301

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

 Category/  
Type

Office Sought:

House

Senate

President

Disbursement For:

Primary

X General

Other (specify) □

Transaction ID: SB23.4240

State:

District

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

**C.** Tim Johnson for Senate

Date of Disbursement

09 M 1 D 1 Y 2002

Mailing Address

420 C Street NE

State Zip Code

City

Washington

DC 20003

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

 Category/  
Type

Office Sought:

House

Senate

President

Disbursement For:

Primary

X General

Other (specify) □

Transaction ID: SB23.4238

State:

District

SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional) ..... ➤

10500.00

TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only) ..... ➤

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**ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

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**NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)**

Prairie Political Action Committee

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)	Date of Disbursement		
A. Tim Johnson for Senate	09/27/2002		
Mailing Address	Amount of Each Disbursement this Period		
420 C Street NE	3000.00		
City	State	Zip Code	
Washington	DC	20003	
Purpose of Disbursement			
Candidate Name		Category/ Type	
Office Sought:	House Senate President	Disbursement For:	
		Primary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General	
State:	District:	Other (specify) ▼	
			Transaction ID: SB23.424B

B.

C.

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**NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)**

Prairie Political Action Committee

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. Friends of Senator Levin

Mailing Address

Box 92089

City

Warren

State

MI

Zip Code

48092

Date of Disbursement

06 04 2002

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period

1000.00

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

 Category/  
Type

Office Sought

House

Disbursement For:

2002

Senate

Primary

X General

President

Other (Specify) ▼

Transaction ID: SB23.4235

State:

District:

Date of Disbursement

06 04 2002

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. Harry Jacobs for Congress

Mailing Address

880 State Rd.

City

Altamonte Springs

State

FL

Zip Code

32714

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period

6000.00

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

 Category/  
Type

Office Sought

House

Disbursement For:

2002

Senate

Primary

X General

President

Other (Specify) ▼

Transaction ID: SB23.4229

State:

District:

Date of Disbursement

06 09 2002

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C. Johnson For South Dakota

Mailing Address

604 West Avenue

City

Sioux Falls

State

SD

Zip Code

57104

Amount of Each Disbursement this Period

2000.00

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

 Category/  
Type

Office Sought

House

Disbursement For:

2002

Senate

Primary

X General

President

Other (Specify) ▼

Transaction ID: SB23.4219

8000.00

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## NAME OF COMMITTEE (In Full)

Prairie Political Action Committee

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

A. Philadelphia for Congress

Mailing Address

Box 186

City

Edwardsville

State

Zip Code

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

Category/  
Type

Office Sought:

House

Disbursement For:

2002

Senate

Primary

 General

President

Other (specify):

Transaction ID: SB23.4246

State:

District:

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

B. Sanders for Senate

Mailing Address

Box 11903

City

Columbia

State

SC

Zip Code

29211

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

Category/  
Type

Office Sought:

House

Disbursement For:

2002

Senate

Primary

 General

President

Other (specify):

Transaction ID: SB23.4237

State:

District:

Full Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)

C. Shaheen for Senate Exploratory Committee

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 1803

City

Concord

State

NH

Zip Code

03306

Purpose of Disbursement

Candidate Name

Category/  
Type

Office Sought:

House

Disbursement For:

2002

Senate

Primary

 General

President

Other (specify):

Transaction ID: CD23.4216

State:

District:

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